

The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Responds to **HIV/AIDS**



International AIDS Ministries and Presbyterian AIDS Network (PAN)

www.pcusa.org/aids-international

www.pcusa.org/phewa/pan.htm

What Can One Church Do About HIV/AIDS?

1. **Pray** for people living with HIV/AIDS every Sunday in your worship service. About 45 million people worldwide are infected with HIV, and millions more are affected. Remember them in your prayers.
2. **Wear a red ribbon or an AIDS pin** on World AIDS Day or any day! Have a basket of pins or red ribbons to share on AIDS Awareness Sunday. Make your own or order *AIDS pins \$50 for a packs of 25, PDS #25384-07-001*.
3. **Create a bulletin board** to raise awareness about the AIDS issue and the work of PC(USA). Order posters and bulletin inserts at www.pcusa.org/aids-international/resources.htm.
4. **Host a speaker** or panel to talk about AIDS or show an AIDS video in Sunday School (there are several listed on the PAN website).
5. **Build in an HIV or AIDS component into local, national and global mission activities.** By doing so your congregation might better understand people you seek to serve (i.e. those who are hungry, in prison or homeless).
6. **Have an alternative Christmas Gift Fair:** include a booth from groups that raise funds for AIDS orphans, women and families.
7. **Designate church funds or your congregations 25% of the Peacemaking Offering (217th GA)** to support the AIDS work of PC(USA) or the HIV/AIDS consultants of PC(USA) in Africa. Give to E053504 HIV/AIDS and Peacemaking at www.pcusa.org/aids-international/giving.htm.
8. **Become an AIDS advocate** to insure the U.S. Government keeps its promise of funds to fight HIV/AIDS in the USA and around the world.
9. **Conduct an AIDS worship service** during your regular Sunday worship or at a special service for people infected with and affected by HIV/AIDS and for people who are concerned about this issue. Download at www.pcusa.org/aids-international/downloads/aidsworship.pdf
10. Join **PAN, the Presbyterian AIDS Network!** Help PAN keep the HIV/AIDS pandemic in front of the PC(USA). Join online: www.pcusa.org/phewa/pan.htm

For more information on HIV/AIDS and the work of the Presbyterian Church (USA) go to:
<http://www.pcusa.org/aids-international> and <http://pcusa.org/phewa/pan.htm>